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Photo by Cpl. Nich R. Babb

The percussion line is showcased during a performance at Sorensen Field. The United States Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps are from the oldest post in the Marine Corps, Marine Barracks at 8th and I, Washington D.C. See more photos on Pages 8 and 9.

## Radar shop worker creates life-saving invention

By Lance Cpl. Josh Carmona  
Combat Correspondent

During the fall of 2003, Robert O. Lanzer, an Army veteran and four-year employee of Maintenance Center Barstow, lost his life in an electrocution accident in the radar shop of Maintenance Center Barstow.

Four years later, Patrick "Ed" Shimko, an electronics mechanic, Cost Work Center 733, invented a system, that could have saved Robert Lanzer's life.

Shimko said he saw a pattern developing when only six months after Lanzer's fatal accident, a Marine at Marine Corps Air Station Yuma almost shared Lanzer's fate due to the same safety fault in the AN/TPS Radar System.

He said he believes safety is

important because without workers, the maintenance center wouldn't produce anything to protect troops. Standing by was not an option for Shimko because safety is everyone's responsibility.

Shimko developed a non-cheatable interlock for the high voltage transmitter. Before his invention the radar system was like a truck with it's airbags turned off, you could still operate the vehicle, despite the safety feature being turned off, but with his invention the 'truck' would not even start without the airbags being turned on.

That ensures the system's operational safety and practically eliminates the risk of accidental electrocutions.

The design Shimko had in mind did not take long to think up, however, getting the

materials and implementing the system did.

He decided instead of creating something with new parts, which would take months to implement Corps wide, the easiest and fastest way to make the system safer was to use parts the Marine Corps already had in its supply.

"It takes roughly \$400 per unit, all with supplies we already have," said Shimko.

The result of Shimko's beneficial suggestion earned him \$2,500 in big-check form



Photo by Curt Lambert

Shimko's invention will help prevent accidental electrocution by adding better fail-safes to protect Marines abroad, and employees at MCB.

from the Marine Corps.

Shimko said he was thankful that the Beneficial Suggestion Program is in place, because of the lives the suggestions save.

"The colonel says the Beneficial Suggestion Program works, and it does," said Shimko.



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This week's ICE article commends individuals and their divisions for excellent service and support.

#### Customer Comments:

I would like to give a great big thank-you to the Transportation Operations crew at Installation Division, especially **Steve Weinrub, Ed Franklin and Mike Bielomaz**, for their assistance at Sorensen Field recently. A forklift became stuck on the field just before the

Battle Color Ceremony. Within minutes of being notified, the transportation crew showed up and removed the forklift off of the field. All three gentlemen should be recognized for their extra efforts to go above and beyond their normal duties.

I would like to take a moment to thank the members of the rail maintenance crew for their support and insight into the area of rail maintenance and repair. Especially helpful were **Manual**

**Castillo and Benjamin Salazar.** They took the time and effort to show me the monthly performed maintenance done on the tracks. The support was greatly appreciated. Thanks.

Great paper this week, Mar. 8, 2007. I always enjoy reading the Barstow Log. It keeps us informed of what's happening on our base as well as Marine Corps wide. Thank you to the writers, editors and staff.

## Chaplain's Corner

# The legacy that we leave

By Lt. Tavis Long  
Base Chaplain

On Oct. 26, 1942, Mitchell Paige found himself alone against a daunting attack by the Japanese. He was a platoon sergeant, assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division and had been one of the first Marines to storm the island of Guadalcanal on Aug. 7.

When Paige first came ashore, his assignment was to get his 33 men and their water-cooled .30 caliber Browning machine guns in place to provide cover for the other Marines who were storming the beaches. The battle for the island was relentless. Day in and day out, for two months, Paige and his men fought viciously.

But, by Oct. 26, it seemed as if Paige's machine gun nest would be overrun by the Japanese. The Japanese had broken through the lines, directly in front of Paige's position. The machine gun section bravely opened fire on the advancing Japanese hoard; and it was not long before all of 33 men in Paige's platoon had either been killed or were so wounded that they could not continue to fight. Paige was all alone.

Without hesitation, Paige continued to fire on the advancing Japanese. When one gun would jam or overheat, he would move to another ensuring a continual return of fire.

Paige kept firing for hours, moving from gun to gun, blasting the Japanese with everything he could, until, finally, reinforcements did arrive. The Japanese halted their advance under the assumption that the machine guns were still all being manned. They had no recollection that the fire was the responsibility of a single man's actions.

Exhausted, Paige took the reinforcements and established a new line; but instead of defending the position, Paige moved forward. In the face of Japanese shells, Paige and his new platoon advanced their bayonet charge. So relentless was Paige that he and the few men with him, successfully pushed more than 2,000 Japanese soldiers and forced them to retreat from any further advancement.

By the evening of Oct. 26, the 29<sup>th</sup>



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### Chapel Services

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## Just doing my job ...



Photo by Lance Cpl. Josh Carmona

Pvt. Mike Poast, stableman, base stables, cleans the sight on an M16A2 service rifle during a monthly rifle cleaning. Poast has been stationed here for 11 months.

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# News Briefs

## Leave Sharing Program

Krista Perez, Amaris Kanteena, Maintenance Center, and Kenneth Breckenridge, Fleet Support Division, have been affected by medical emergencies.

Anyone desiring to donate leave under the Leave Sharing Program may obtain a leave donor application through their department administrative office.

To donate or for more information, contact Margo Padilla at 577-7138, Lorinda Rognlie at 577-7099 or Edwin Wisemon at 577-7774.

## Military Spouses Tour

Active duty Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Army spouses are invited to attend the free Quarterly Spouses Tour of Fort Irwin and Barstow Monday and Tuesday.

The first day will be held at Fort Irwin. Informational meetings and tours will introduce spouses to services available at the Fort and military life in general.

The second day will begin with a tour of Goldstone Deep Space Communications Complex.

By mid-afternoon, the spouses will head off to the Veterans Home on Barstow Road at 11:45 a.m. for lunch sponsored by the Veterans Home.

Following presentations by the Veterans Home Public Relations Department and invited guest speakers from different organizations, spouses will receive discount coupons for selected shops at the Barstow Outlets and Tanger Factory Outlet Center.

The tour will end at 3:30 p.m. Participants should dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water to drink while at Goldstone Deep Space Communications Complex.

Space is limited so registration is required. For more information, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Army spouses can call Kathy Demny at Ft. Irwin at 380-3776 or Erin Fann

at the Army Outreach Center at 256-1735.

Second Facility Council Public Works has held its second Facility Council meeting for Fiscal Year 07. The Facility Council approves or disapproves all requests for new construction on Base.

The following projects were approved by the council:

Bowling Alley, replace counter tops, install black lights and repaint walls.

Base Stables, install solar lights on boarding stables.

Environmental, install fence with slats as wind barrier.

For questions or concerns, contact the Public Works Officer, Capt. Teddy Gilmore, at 577-6369.

## Tax Returns

Taxpayers will have until April 17 to file their 2006 tax returns, as well as make payments for any taxes due this year.

April 15 falls on a Sunday, and the following day is Emancipation Day, which is a legal holiday in the District of Columbia. That is the reasoning for the extension.

## Jury Duty Identity Theft Scam

The FBI today is providing a warning to the public against an ongoing scheme involving jury service. The public needs to be aware that individuals identifying themselves as U.S. court employees have been telephonically contacting citizens and advising them that they have been selected for jury duty.

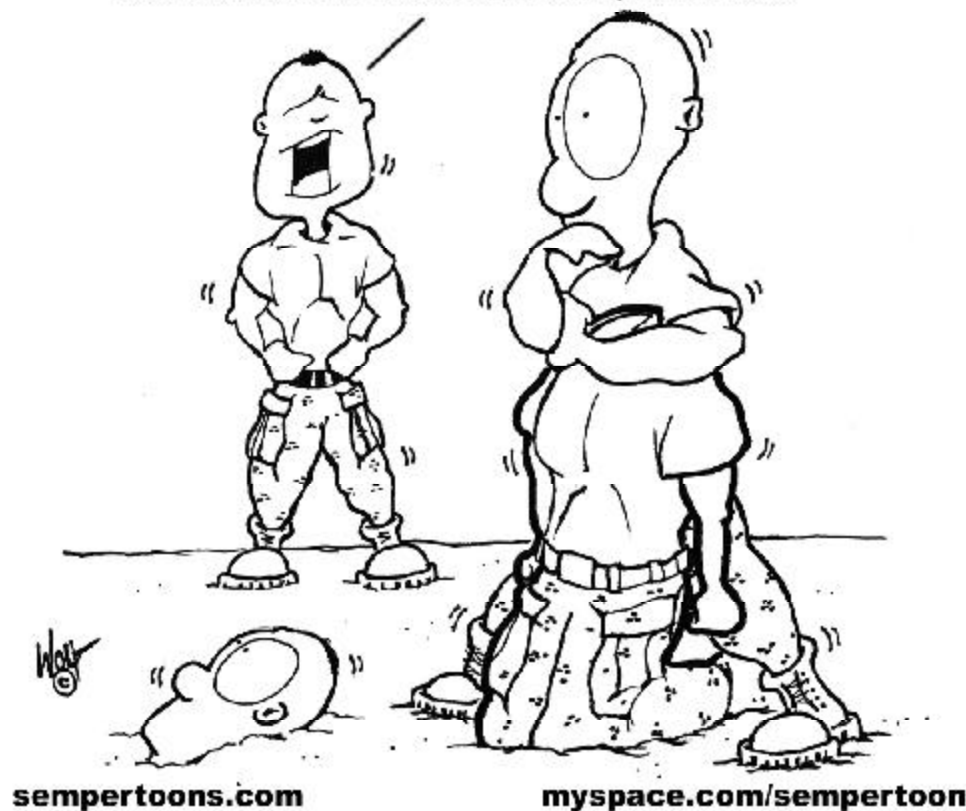
These individuals ask to verify names and Social Security numbers, then ask for credit card numbers. If the request is refused, citizens are then threatened with fines.

The judicial system does not contact people telephonically and ask for personal information such as your Social Security number, date of birth or credit card numbers. If you receive one of these phone calls, do not provide any personal or confidential information to these individuals. This is

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an attempt to steal or to use your identity by obtaining your name, Social Security number and potentially to apply for credit or credit cards or other loans in your name. It is an attempt to defraud you.

If you have already been contacted and have already given out your personal information, please monitor your account statements and credit reports, and contact your local FBI office. Local FBI field office telephone numbers can be found in the front of your local telephone directory or on [www.fbi.gov](http://www.fbi.gov).

For further information, please review the warnings posted on the U.S.

Courts website at [www.uscourts.gov](http://www.uscourts.gov)

## VA Test Reimbursement

The United States Department of Veterans Affairs is now reimbursing required test fees.

Section 106 of PL 108-454 allows the VA to reimburse claimants for the fee charged for national tests for admission to in-

stitutions of higher learning and national tests that provide opportunities for course credit at institutions of higher learning.

The VA has no authority to reimburse a person for any optional costs related to the testing process.

Visit [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov) for more information.

For on base test eligibility call the Lifelong Learning Education Center at 577-6118.

## Water Recall

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued a warning advising consumers not to drink Jermuk brands of mineral water from Armenia.

FDA scientists say the recalled water, distributed nationally, might be contaminated with high levels of arsenic, which is a known cause of cancer.

FDA testing of the water revealed 500 to 600 micrograms of arsenic per liter, exceeding the FDA's standard for quality bottled water that allows no more than 10 micrograms of arsenic per liter.

Symptoms of acute arsenic exposure usually occur within several hours of consumption and include vomiting, diarrhea and stomach pain. Extended exposure can lead to cancer or death.

The green glass bottles being recalled carry labels that read "Jermuk Original Sparkling Natural Mineral Water Fortified With Natural Gas From The Spring," "Jermuk Sodium Calcium Bicarbonate and Sulphate Mineral Water."

Anyone who drank the water and have concerns are encouraged to consult a healthcare provider.

## Editor's Note

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# Barstow Marines help judge local school science fair

By Cpl. Nich R. Babb  
Combat Correspondent

Barstow Marines judged projects constructed by students of the Barstow Unified School District during the annual district science fair held at Barstow Community College March 8.

Since the science fair began in early February, all aspects of the fair have received large amounts of support from the Marines, said Danielle King, assistant co-ordinator, Barstow science fair.

King said that the Marines were used to judge the students' projects while on display at their school, and it has been the result of their work, which allows the science fair to be successful.

"It [The Science Fair] has been going real well. I have heard from the judges that the students really know their stuff," King said.

The district fair is the culmination of science projects from students currently in the 3rd thru 12th grades at 12 different schools in and around the Barstow area, said King. There are a

total of 10 grand prizes that will be awarded, and will allow the students who receive them to move their projects on to the Inland Empire regional fair.

Only students in sixth grade and higher are eligible to move on to the regional competition though, King said.

As for the district fair, however, students will receive trophies, certificates, bonds and kudos for their accomplishments from local companies, she said.

Lance Cpl. Margarita Martinez, postal clerk, base post office, said that judging the science fair was a great time for her. Her favorite project was one where the student was testing the affects music had on a person's mood.

In addition, the students' projects were creative and done well, said Lance Cpl. Brian Singam, separations clerk, military personnel division. His favorite project was one where the student tested the ability of solid carbon dioxide, dry ice, to inflate a balloon.

However, both Martinez and Singam agreed that some of the projects might have been worked on by the student's



Photo by Cpl. Nich R. Babb

Lance Cpl. Margarita Martinez, postal clerk, base post office, grades a project at the Barstow Unified School District science fair held at Barstow Community College. To judge the projects, judges used a set of guidelines that graded the presentation of the experiment on neatness, creativity, thoroughness and other criteria.



Photo by Cpl. Nich R. Babb

Capt. Teddy Gilmore, Head, Installation Division, talks with a student about his project during the science fair. Students with good marks were given awards for their effort.

parents, which took away from the authenticity of the project, they said.

The annual Barstow science fair was made successful by the help of the Marines, said King. If it was not for them, then the fair would not have been as easy to complete as it was.

# Marine Corps warrant officers: Leaders and technical experts

**By Cpl. Quentin Grogan**  
Combat Correspondent

"God made warrant officers to give the junior enlisted Marine someone to worship, the senior enlisted Marine someone to envy, the junior Marine officer someone to tolerate, and the senior Marine officer someone to respect," said retired Marine Maj. H.G. Duncan and is also stated on the back of a Marine Corps warrant officer coin.

Since 1916, the Marine Corps has been promoting Marines who were technical experts and brought the combination of leadership and experience to a specific job field, to the rank of warrant officers.

To be a warrant officer, one requirement is that a Marine must be at least a sergeant with eight years of service. Because of this, a warrant officer has the experience and leadership of a senior noncommissioned officer.

"The first thing and most important is leadership, and the second is technical expertise," said Chief Warrant Officer Kevin Payton, personnel officer, military personnel division.

"The bedrock of Marine

Corps leadership is to grow your own," said Payton in reference to enlisted Marines being put in the role of an officer, and was promoted to warrant officer as a staff sergeant, six years ago. When it comes to being a warrant officer, it does not matter what a Marine accomplished before. Once a Marine pins on the new rank, it is a new start, said Payton.

"Don't live on yesterday's glory," he said. "You have to prove yourself all over again."

Getting selected is not something that comes by deciding one morning to put in a package for warrant officer, said Payton. A Marine has to plan and prepare for years to be a warrant officer to make their career stand out, he added.

"For those Marines submitting a package, don't expect to be selected the first time. It took me four applications to get selected," Payton said.

The fiscal year 2008 selection board for enlisted to warrant officer is currently accepting applications until March 30. The board takes about four weeks for selection, and another eight weeks for those selections

to be approved by the Secretary of the Navy.

Once selected, those Marines are scheduled to be appointed Feb. 1, 2008, according to Marine Administrative Message 060/07.

Following the approval of the selections, the Marines will then proceed to the Warrant Officer Basic Course, where they begin their career as a warrant officer.

Upon getting promoted to warrant officer, the Marine will wear that rank for 18 months. Following a successful 18 months as warrant officer in which the Marine adapts to the warrant officer life, they will automatically get promoted to chief warrant officer two.

Beyond that, it begins to get competitive, where Marines have to compete against other warrant officers to get promoted.

For one Marine aboard base, applying to the warrant officer program is not necessarily about himself, but his junior Marines.

Staff Sgt. Angel Caraballo, ordnance and vehicle inspector for Fleet Support Division, specifically tanks, has been in the

Marine Corps for 10 years and is currently applying to the warrant officer program for the first time.

"As a staff noncommissioned officer, you can do enough for your Marines, but as a warrant officer you can do so much more," said Caraballo.

He also said that being a warrant officer is about being the so-called 'resident expert' to his junior Marines, as well as officers above him. For another Marine who has gone through the warrant officer program, Chief Warrant Officer Jason Blanding, program manager, AN/TPQ-46 Firefinder, becoming a warrant officer was odd at the beginning.

In Blanding's case, as a staff sergeant, he was the lowest of the staff NCO ranks. When he was selected as a warrant officer five years ago, Blanding went immediately into a different role.

Those senior enlisted members now look to him for leadership, he said.

"It is one of those ranks that everyone knows is different," said Blanding. "It definitely betters the Marine Corps."

When a Marine gets pro-

moted to warrant officer and on to chief warrant officer, the career is not a dead end.

Capt. Michael Nolan, project manager for the amphibious assault vehicle, recently got promoted to his current rank after being a chief warrant officer.

A Marine can go from chief warrant officer to a commissioned officer just like a Marine can go from enlisted to warrant officer. Nolan applied to the limited duty officer board, and on his third attempt, got selected for captain, which he pinned on March 1.

Much like many other warrant officer's, it took Nolan more than one try to get selected as a warrant officer, he said. It was when he was a corporal that he decided and started preparing to become a warrant officer.

"It is very competitive," said Nolan about getting selected as a warrant officer.

Among warrant officers and chief warrant officers, pride about their rank is common. Attaining the rank of warrant officer and above is hard and requires persistence. Warrant officers represent MOS expertise, experience and leadership.

# Women's History Month: Patriotism runs in the family

When young Tana Lewis told her father that she wanted to join the military, the reaction she got was worlds apart from her own when her daughter made the same announcement 40 years later.

After growing up in a small Colorado mining town, Tana wasn't interested in marriage or college, two popular choices for young women of her day. Instead, she told her father that she wanted to join the military—she wanted to be a Marine. He was hesitant to give his approval. He worried about his daughter's safety and reputation if she were to leave Leadville, with its population of just 10,000. In the end, her father's strong sense of patriotism and love of country prevailed. The World War II veteran signed his daughter's enlistment papers and, in April 1964, 18-year-old Tana left home to follow her dream.

Even though she shared her father's patriotism, she was also armed with a desire to learn a new skill and gain some job experience. Tana reported to Parris Island, SC, where Women Marines were given basic indoctrination into the service.

During boot camp she chose her occupational specialty.

"There were only three fields women could go into at the time and I chose 'Admin,'" she recalls. Her choice paid off sooner than she imagined when the assistant chief of staff comptroller needed an administrative assistant and Tana got the job, keeping her at Parris Island.

Everything seemed to be falling into place for her. She now had new skills and job experience, but something else happened to Tana while she was at the Marine Recruit Depot—something she hadn't planned for and never expected. She fell in love with LCpl Gary Maxwell. The couple soon wed—holding their ceremony in the chapel and their reception in the Women Marine Barracks lounge on base. Tana left the service in 1966 and focused her attention on raising a family.

Although her life was very fulfilling as a wife and mother, she says she missed the military despite working as a civil servant in the quality-assurance field. So, just as she had done 10 years before when she wanted something more for her life,

Tana joined the Marines—this time as a reservist. The Reserve offered her a way to serve her country while balancing a federal career and the care of her growing family. It also brought Tana an unexpected gift—a new job in career planning, which she remained in until her discharge in 1982.

Two years after Tana's discharge, she and Gary welcomed their fifth daughter, Dorthea, into the world and what a small world it turned out to be. They didn't know then that their last child would be the one to follow them into military service.

When she was just a year older than her mother had been in 1964, Dorthea made a surprise announcement one Sunday morning in 2003, when she and her parents were on their way to breakfast. She wanted to be a Marine.

Unlike her own father's reaction in 1964, Tana and her husband had no hesitation about their daughter joining the Marines. In fact, they turned out to be a great resource for her; something Dorthea says helped her to make an informed decision.

Although old photos of her parents hung on the walls of the family home, Dorthea says she didn't really pay much attention to the fact that her mom was wearing a uniform. Once she realized that her mom had "gone before her," it changed her outlook on entering the Marines.

"Knowing she did it, made me want to do it," Dorthea says. "I even wanted to go to the same boot camp." Dorthea never considered any other service. She knew that by choosing the same service as her parents they could help ease the transition to military life and it was a bond they would share forever.

She was right. From the moment she made her announcement, Tana and Gary, now a retired master gunnery sergeant, helped their daughter gather all the information they could so she could weight the options, both good and bad.

"There were 40 years between my service in 1964 and Dorthea's in 2003," Tana recalls. "We wanted her to have all the information and be on hand to answer

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# Four-Wheeler volunteers from MCB help others

By Lance Cpl. Josh Carmona  
Combat Correspondent

Some Marines and employees aboard MCLB Barstow feel their desert surroundings are an obstacle to get to bigger cities and favorable climates, but others take pleasure in exploring the wildlife and beauty the Mojave Desert wilderness offers, in four-wheel drive vehicles.

The Barstow Four-Wheeled Drive Club is a non-profit organization aimed at four-wheeled drive owners and enthusiasts.

Rick Gilmore, past club president and maintenance center employee, says the club is a family-oriented organization that has a strong volunteering and exploratory background.

"We take trips into the desert once a month," said Gilmore, "We

have meetings every second Tuesday of the month."

According to Gilmore, the club also has no dues or fees to pay for membership, all you need is a four-wheeled drive vehicle.

Gilmore said the state of the environment is very important to the club, so when the Bureau of Land Management asked for volunteers to take care of the desert environment, the club jumped at the idea.

They cleaned Rainbow Basin Natural Area and adopted a mile of the highway in the local area. They continue to use their knowledge of the surrounding areas to help the environment.

He said helping the environment is nice, but the club also contributes to the community with their four-wheeled drive vehicles.

"There was this one time a couple from Germany had their rented vehicle stuck in the desert sand, we had stumbled up on them and we pulled them back to the road, they couldn't speak English but we could tell that they were thankful," said Gilmore.

Some people get in over their heads when they vacation out in the desert, and that's where the club steps in to help.

Gilmore said recently a couple from Long Beach was stranded in the desert for two days, and their club was the only people that would help them out.

"We never ask for payment or compensation, we just ask them to help out someone else when they get the chance," said

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## MCIWest Sgt. Maj. speaks at Black History Luncheon



Photo by Curt Lambert

Sgt. Maj. Barbara J. Titus, sergeant major, Marine Corps Installations West, holds a plaque given to her by the Black Employee Person Committee for being the guest speaker for the black history month luncheon. She also took the time to meet and greet the Marines on base and talk about up-coming programs and concepts that will affect the future of the installation and troop welfare and morale.

# Drum and Bugle Corps & Silent Drill Platoon

## Entertains Crowds at Sorensen Field

Left: Col. Kenneth D. Enzor, Commanding Officer, watches the Marine Corps Color Guard during the pass and review portion of the show, this is his first show as commanding officer of MCLB Barstow.

Middle: A rifle inspector in the Silent Drill Platoon returns an inspected rifle, the Silent Drill Platoon the inspection consists of elaborate spins and tosses.

Right: The drum major of the Drum and Bugle Corps marches the band to Sorensen Field in preparation of their performance. The band performed in Barstow as one of their last performances before they return to Marine Barracks at 8th and I, Washington D.C.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Josh Carmona



Photo by Curt Lambert



Photo by Lance Cpl. Josh Carmona



Left: While playing the flugelhorn, three Marines of The entertain crowds here on Base.

Above: Marines in the Silent Drill Platoon point their ba that required no commands to be given. After the conc through a rifle inspection while performing dazzling spi

Right: A squad of Marines from the Silent Drill Platoon Sorensen Field March 7.



Photo by Curt Lambert



Photo by Cpl. Quentin Grogan

The Commandant's Own Drum and Bugle Corps perform music to

bayoneted M1 Rifles outward to conclude their drill performance. Inclusion of the performance, select members of the platoon went through spins and twirls of the rifles.

Platoon march to their positions during the Battle Color Ceremony at



Photo by Curt Lambert

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Infantry Regiment (Japanese) had lost 553 soldiers, and 467 were wounded. That day, the Americans lost 90 men, including every man in Paige’s platoon. For Paige’s heroism, bravery, and valor, he was awarded the Medal of Honor, highest honor given to someone in the military.

But, the story does not stop there. A few years later, the Hasbro Toy Company contacted Paige, seeking his permission to use his face on a new doll. Though Paige thought it was some sort of joke, he gave his consent. Now, the next time you see a G.I. Joe, you are looking at the one Marine who held the ridge and fought off over 2000 enemy soldiers. You are looking at Mitchell Paige, G.I Joe.

Paige never stormed the beaches of Guadalcanal hoping that it would be his story that would motivate thousands of little boys (and some girls) to play war with their G.I. Joes. It just goes to show that you never know which of your actions will affect the generations to come.

The reality is, Paige’s actions over sixty years ago have impacted us today in so many ways. Most importantly, he helped maintain the freedom that we all love and enjoy. But, he also helped develop a per-

sonality that became a “Real American Hero” for little boys (and once again, some girls) all throughout this country. Every time a child plays with a G.I. Joe, it is a tribute to the bravery of Mitchell Paige.

Just like Paige, we all leave a legacy to those who we influence. What is the legacy you are leaving your children? Remember, there are always “little eyes” that are watching you. They are ready to act just like you act; respond to situations as you respond; and say what you say.

The importance of being a good example and leaving a legacy that glorifies God is mentioned in Colossians 4:5-6. The Bible says, “Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.”

The same idea is mentioned in Ephesians 5:15-16: “See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.”

Both passages say the same thing. We need to be aware of what we are doing and how we live. People are watching us all the time. Your actions may never gain the attention of the toymakers and you may never be a household name. But, that

does not negate the responsibility you have to be sure that you are living right and being an example for others to follow. So, the next time you see a G.I. Joe, be reminded of the legacy that a person can leave. Are you leaving a legacy that glorifies God?

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Gilmore.

Their attitude for community service is reflected in the BLM’s Desert Discovery Center. They raised over \$8,000 in January; the biggest single donation to the Desert Discovery Center this year, said Gilmore.

The group currently has around 100 members, ten of whom work on MCLB Barstow.

“The group is growing,” said Gilmore, “We get 30 to 40 members to come every meeting and good attendance for cleaning projects.”

Gilmore said he feels happy to be involved with a group that gives so much to the community, and hopes to see his club grow and flourish in the future.

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questions.”

The support of her Marine parents not

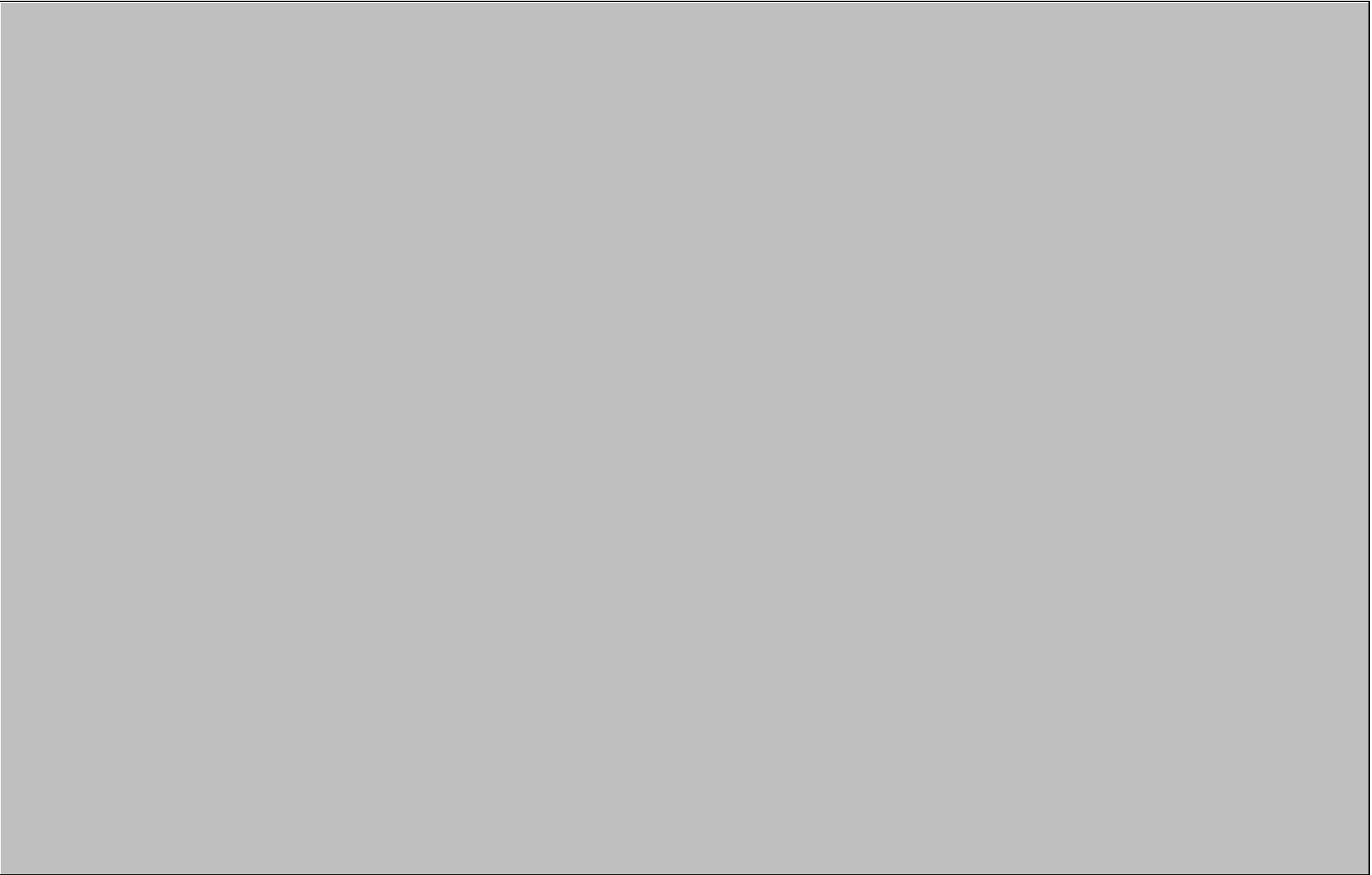
only helped Dortehea make the decision to join and helped her get through boot camp in 2003, it also became one of her lifelines when she got orders to Iraq.

In the blazing 115-degree heat, amidst sandstorms and the sounds of gunfire, Dortehea, now a lance corporal, busied herself with her postal clerk duties. She missed her family terribly, but the strong connection with her husband and daughter and with her parents helped her get through.

“I missed a lot while being in Iraq,” she remembers. “I missed my husband’s birthday ... and my daughter’s first Easter. I cried the first time I heard my child say ‘mommy.’ It hurt knowing I left my husband back in the real world to continue without me. ... What helped were the letters that my husband, and especially my mom, wrote to me.”

Although their enlistments were 40 years apart and their parents’ reactions were worlds apart, Tana Maxwell and her daughter Dortehea Daniels couldn’t be closer—thanks in part to their shared service in the US Marine Corps and the Women’s Memorial.

*Editor’s note: This story was taken from the Women in Military Service Memorial Foundation Inc. website.*





A comprehensive model of parenting for parents with children between the ages of 5 and 12 will be taught.

For more information please contact Geniel Bratton at 577-6533, or stop in at Marine and Family Services Division, Building 129.

#### Family Dining

Tonight at the Oasis Club it's "Make Your Own Taco" night. We will have all the fixings from flour or corn tortillas to the salsa and sour cream. Upcoming dining nights for March are: March 22nd, Breaded Catfish Strips, March 29th it's Mongolian Bar-B-Que Night! For more information, contact the Oasis Club at 577-6432.

#### Space Camp Scholarships Available to Military Kids

Applications are being accepted for the 2007 Bernard Curtis Brown II Memorial NASA Space Camp Scholarship.

Children of active duty service members, in grades 6 through 9, can apply for the scholarship which was created

by the Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) in memory of Bernard Curtis Brown II, who was killed on September 11, 2001.

The scholarship covers tuition, meals, lodging, program materials, and transportation, for a five-day program. To apply, students must submit a scholarship application, along with a hand written essay stating why they should be selected, and two letters of recommendation from someone other than a relative.

Those applying should ensure that their essays include details of patriotism, community service, future goals and "after camp" intentions.

The 2007 Bernard Curtis Brown II Memorial NASA Space Camp Scholarship application can be found by visiting the Military Child Education Website at <http://www.militarychild.org/Scholarship.asp>

The deadline for submission of applications, hand written essays, and letters of recommendation is April 2, 2007. Completed applications should be sent to: Military Child Education Coalition, 108 East FM 2410, Suite D, Harker Heights, TX 76458

For more information contact

Kathleen Facon, Section Head, Children, Youth and Teen Programs at 703-784-9553 or [kathleen.facon@usmc.mil](mailto:kathleen.facon@usmc.mil).

#### LUNCH MENU Family Restaurant

**Today** – Salisbury steak, sautéed onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes & gravy, and vegetables

**Friday** – Fish of the day, fried rice, and vegetables

**Monday** – Pork stir fry, steamed jasmine rice, and additional vegetables

**Tuesday** – Spaghetti & meat sauce, small tossed salad, plus garlic bread

**Wednesday** – Chicken tenders, regular fries, fruit cup

Included with every meal is a fresh baked roll and fountain drink, unless otherwise stated.

Soup and Salad Bar is now available Monday through Thursday at lunch for \$5.75.

**Sub Sandwiches** - A variety of pre-made daily items are available in the front display refrigerator.

Lanzer's Lounge  
*Manager's Special featured daily*

#### Texas Hold' Em Poker

Friday, March 26, 2007, the Oasis Club will be hosting the 2nd Texas Hold' Em Poker Tournament for 2007. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m., with a buy in of \$25, early registration is \$20, with sign ups available at the Family restaurant, Oasis Club, Temporary Lodging Facility and Lanzer's Lounge. All MCLB Patrons and their guests over the age of 21 are invited to attend. For more information or if you have any questions please contact 577-6372.

#### Active Parenting Classes

Marine and Family Services Division Family Advocacy Program is hosting classes March 20th, 27th, and April 3rd and 6th. Classes are from 10 a.m. to noon in the Base Library and are video-based interactive learning experiences.

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